

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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| In re Application of | <b>L. VERTESY, et al.</b>  | Examiner: | OH, Taylor V. |
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| Title:               | <b>POLYCARBOXYLIC ACID<br/>DERIVATIVES, PROCESSES FOR<br/>PREPARING THEM AND THEIR USE</b> |           |               |

**RESPONSE**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action, dated March 16, 2006, for which a response is due by June 16, 2006, in the above-identified patent application. Applicants respectfully request entry of the following remarks and amendments. Applicants request reconsideration and withdrawal of all outstanding rejections in light of the aforesaid remarks and amendments.